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Lipton and Okamoto)
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For: METHODS OF DIFFERENTIATING)
AND PROTECTING CELLS BY)
MODULATING THE P38/MEF2)
PATHWAY)
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the following amendments is respectfully requested.

AMENDMENTS

In the specification:

On page 10, please replace the first incomplete
paragraph with the following:

--are phosphorylated by p38 and ERK5 are marked with asterisks.
Not all potential phosphorylation sites are shown. Some of the
conserved stretches overlap with transactivation domains that